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 Examiner : Gerard R. Strecker
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AMENDMENT

Commissioner of Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 25, 2003, having a shortened three-month statutory period for response that expired on September 25, 2003, we have attached a petition to extend the reply time. We request that you amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 7 and include additional sheets.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.

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